Some of the important steps taken to reduce accidents are:

(i) induction of technical devices to aid the human element;

(ii) monitoring the performance of staff of critical safety categories such as drivers, guards, station masters, etc.;

(iii) intensive training of staff in operational categories;

(iv) intensive and frequent inspections of sensitive installations;

(v) surprise checks against carriage of inflammable/explosive material in passenger trains; and

(vi) provision of whistle board, speed breakers and road signs at the approaches of unmanned level crossings and improving visibility for road users and train drivers.

Fly over bridges in Andhra Pradesh

4540. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the fly over bridges that are under construction in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) what are the proposals that are pending for clearance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Twenty one Road Overbridges at the following places in Andhra Pradesh are approved works in 1992-93 Works Programme of Railways and are under different stages of construction:—

(1) Bibinagar, (2) Gudur, (3) Vikarabad, (4) Bhimavaram, (5) Between Nidadavole and Brahmanagudam, (6) Dabirpura, (7) Between Jangaon and Pembarti stations, (8) Kavali, (9) Nandyal, (10) Mahabubnagar, (11) Between Timmapur and Shadnagar, (12) Palakole, (13) Ajitsingh Nagar, (14) Ghatkesar, (15) Fathenagar, (16) Adikmet near Jamai Osmania station, (17) Mancherial and Peddampet, (18) Anakapalli and Thadi, (19) Between Thadi and Duvvada, (20) Between Umdanagar and Timmapur, (21) Kazipet.

(b) There are 5 such proposals:- (1) Falaknuma, (2) Alwala, (3) Kovvur, (4) Chirala, (5) Narasaraopet.

Transportation of coal by wagons for glass manufacturing units

4541. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:

SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any guidelines for transportation of coal by wagons for glass manufacturing Units has been made;

(b) if so, what are the basis of regulating the movements of wagons and norms devised for it;

(c) what is the present allotment position of wagons for movement of coal to Glass Manufacturing Units of Ferozabad and other industries in Uttar Pradesh stating industry-wise position of backlog if any;

(d) whether the Ministry have discretionary powers to allot wagons to few glass industries on priority basis;

(e) if so, what are the norms for such out-of-turn allotment of wagons; and

(f) the number of glass manufacturing Units which have been allotted wagons on priority basis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Allotment and supply of wagons for loading of coal is made on the basis of sponsorships made by the sponsoring authorities and as per the offers given by the collieries.

(c) Position of programmes, offers made by the collieries and allotment of steam coal rakes to GIS/POT units in